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| Title:<br>Bone-Adaptive Surface Structure  |                         |          |                         |
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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The following information and attached material are submitted for the Examiner's consideration relative to one or more of the claims in the above-identified application. Form PTO-1449 and a copy of each item listed thereon are attached.

Foreign language patent documents CH 690 416, DE 202 02 424, AT 392 582 and FR 2 302 715 were cited in the European search report for European Patent Application 02 09 0379, the priority document in the above application. Also attached is a copy of the European search report and an English language version of that report to explain the relevance of the citation(s) cited therein as per MPEP 609A(3).

Foreign language patent document EP 0 935 949 A1 describes a lateral dental implant. The drawings disclose basal osseointegrated implants, many of which are identical to those disclosed in US Patent 6,402,516.

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It is believed that this disclosure complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, and the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure §609. If for some reason the examiner considers otherwise, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be called so that any deficiencies can be remedied.

Respectfully submitted,

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